Doug Ellis

From:

Vicki Rippie

Sent:

Thursday, August 10, 2006 1:54 PM

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Stefan

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Subject: RE: Legal Interpretation Request

From: Stefan [mailto:ztarbod@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 09, 2006 7:29 AM

To: Vicki Rippie

Subject: Re: Legal Interpretation Request

Thank you for your prompt response.

My understanding is that WAC 82-05-020 only has two requirements for information included in a petition; the name of the responsible agency and the rationale for adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule.

I believe that my communications have adequately addressed these two requirements for a petition; however, since the original submission was not as a petition and in the interest of clarity, I will provide the information as laid out on the OFM petitions form.

My personal information:

Stefan Dobratz 1716 33rd AVE NE Olympia, WA 98506 (360) 352-9271

Responsible agency:

Public Disclosure Commission

Request:

I am requesting an amendment to Chapter 390-17 WAC.

I believe the rules should be changed to prohibit non-represented or non-resident voters from contributing to local and state elections in Washington State. I believe that such contributions violate citizens' rights of association with elected representatives and ballot measures.

The hand recount of the recent Governor's election is an example. The citizens of Washington were reportedly unwilling to fund the hand recount but contributions from out-of-state citizens were obtained to fund the hand recount. I believe the use of these funds violated the rights of association of Washington citizens.

The US Supreme Court's blanket primary decision (California Democratic Party et al. v. Jones, Secretary of State of California, et al.) stated a political party has protected rights of association with their candidates under the First Amendment, therefore a citizen and voter, must have at least equal rights of association with candidates and ballot measures.

I hope this presentation of my request will assist you.